#### **CITY COUNCIL - 17 JULY 2006**

### REPORT OF CHAIR OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

#### **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2005/06**

#### 1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 2005/06 has seen the consolidation of the good foundations laid for overview and scrutiny work since the revised structure was put in place in 2003. There have been some important reviews undertaken resulting in reports and recommendations aimed at assisting the Council and its partners' progress and ambition in seeking excellence on behalf of Nottingham people.
- 1.2 It is extremely satisfying to record the roles of all members of this Council in overview and scrutiny activities, with active engagement from members of all parties in committee and panel work, especially in task and finish reviews, and of portfolio holders paying due regard to and acknowledging the value of work we undertake on behalf of the Council and City.
- 1.3 I also wish to highlight the ready involvement of our City partners in overview and scrutiny work and here I have to note in particular health scrutiny, not only through our own Health Scrutiny Panel but also that undertaken with our county and district council colleagues in the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee. It has been a year of major change for the NHS and we are grateful that health professionals have been so willing to meet with members and bring the many proposals for change for their consideration.
- 1.4 I am pleased to present to Council the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2005/06. The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report has been circulated as a separate document.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2005/06 be accepted.

# 3. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

None

## 4. <u>PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS</u> REPORT

Reports, agenda and minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, standing and task and finish panels produced during 2005/06.

**COUNCILLOR MALCOLM WOOD** 

CHAIR OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE